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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations,
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations,
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for NCSO Radio Infrastructure Improvements in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Nevada County Sheriff's Department located at 950 Maidu Ave. Nevada City, CA 95959.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to benefit the surrounding region.

The funding would be used to provide an upgraded Public Safety-grade communications solution to replace an obsolete and partially operable system that is no longer supported by its manufacturer. Current radio towers and system limit communications within Nevada County for all agencies. These essential upgrades will enhance usability and effectiveness of radio communications, implement a DOJ mandate for encrypted communications, allow for monitoring and securing operations for life, safety and sustainability and long-term maintainability. The upgrades are also critical for allowing interoperability with other State and Federal agencies to support emergency operations with CAL FIRE and Tahoe National Forest wildfire protection and mitigation efforts.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Doug LaMalfa
Member of Congress